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MPEG PICTURE DATA REPRODUCING METHOD

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- (2) Supplemental PTO Form-1449 with 1 cited Reference;
- (3) Copy of Office Action issued on May 11, 2007 in the counterpart Japanese application;
- (4) Copy of 1 of the 1 cited reference;
- (5) Check 4436 in the amount of **180.00** for the submission of an Information Disclosure Statement.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any excess to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

Respectfully submitted, THE NATH LAW GROUP

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If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to discuss this application, kindly telephone the undersigned at the below-listed number.

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